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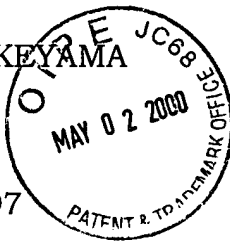
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Applicant: Kouki HATAKEYAMA
Application No.: 08/841,318
Filed: April 30, 1997
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THE RECORDING MODE OF AN ELECTRONIC STILL
CAMERA (As Amended)

Group No.: 2712
Examiner: A. Harrington



REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

May 2, 2000

Dear Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated February 2, 2000, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

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REMARKS

Claims 1-7 and 9 are in the present application. Reconsideration in view of the following remarks is respectfully requested. **Applicants respectfully request that Examiner Harrington contact Applicants Representative Matthew J. Lattig at (703) 205-8081 to conduct a telephonic interview, if the examiner is not persuaded by the following remarks. Applicants request this interview in view of the fact that Examiner Harrington is newly assigned to this application, and in an effort to expedite prosecution by discussing possible claim changes and/or further clarification of the present claims.**